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Calling on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States to return to an interim level of compliance with the Agreed Framework of 1994 while a more comprehensive and mutually acceptable agreement can be negotiated by those two nations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 28, 2003

Mr. Hastings of Florida submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Calling on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States to return to an interim level of compliance with the Agreed Framework of 1994 while a more comprehensive and mutually acceptable agreement can be negotiated by those two nations.

Whereas in the Agreed Framework between the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) and the United States, signed in Geneva on October 21, 1994, North Korea pledged to freeze its existing nuclear program and allow the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to carry out inspections designed to account for all its nuclear material and in return, North Korea would be provided with two light-water reactors and heavy fuel oil;

- Whereas in the Agreed Framework, the United States pledged to organize, under its leadership, an international consortium to finance and supply North Korea with alternative sources of energy in the form of heavy fuel oil and a modern nuclear power plant;
- Whereas the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO), an international consortium, was created in 1995 to advance the implementation of the Agreed Framework;
- Whereas in October 2002, North Korea admitted that it had been operating a covert nuclear weapons program;
- Whereas in December 2002, the United States halted a shipment of heavy fuel oil to North Korea;
- Whereas in December 2002, North Korea expelled IAEA inspectors, disabled surveillance cameras installed by the IAEA inspectors, and broke seals barring entry to a plutonium reprocessing plant; and
- Whereas the IAEA, an independent organization of the United Nations, has initiated separate negotiations with North Korea to allow its inspectors to return to the country: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That Congress—
- 3 (1) calls on the Democratic People's Republic of
- 4 Korea (North Korea), in an interim demonstration
- 5 of good faith, to allow International Atomic Energy
- 6 Agency inspectors to return to North Korea, re-
- 7 install surveillance cameras, and reseal the afore-
- 8 mentioned plutonium reprocessing plant while a

- 1 more comprehensive and mutually acceptable agree-2 ment can be negotiated with the United States;
 - (2) calls on the United States, in an interim demonstration of good faith, to resume monthly fuel oil shipments to North Korea while a more comprehensive and mutually acceptable agreement can be negotiated with that nation;
 - (3) commends the IAEA for its efforts and calls on that organization to continue its separate and independent negotiations with North Korea to allow its inspectors to return to the country;
 - (4) calls on North Korea and the United States to immediately begin diplomatic talks and negotiations until a mutually acceptable binding treaty to resolve the current crisis has been agreed to by both parties; and
 - (5) calls on the members of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO), and the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Australia, Canada, and other concerned nations to support this interim solution and all diplomatic attempts by the United States and North Korea to achieve a peaceful resolution to the current crisis.